

Thursday, August 24, 2006

Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

ITEM No. 22

Subject: Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a contract with AJILON CONSULTING, Austin, TX, for staff augmentation for technical services in development of the Austin Energy Conservation and Renewable Energy Incentive and Workflow Tracking System in an amount not to exceed \$364,960.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$305,255 is available in the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Amended Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining balance of the contract in the amount of \$59,705 is contingent upon approval of the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Proposed Budget of Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Additional Backup Material

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No Attachments Available

For More Information: Carole Cameron, Supervising Sr. Buyer/322-6155

Purchasing Language: Best evaluated proposal of seven proposals received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

This contract will provide Austin Energy (AE) with staff augmentation for technical services to assist in the development of the Conservation and Renewable Energy Incentive and Workflow Tracking System for Austin Energy. This system will provide an automated application to navigate the energy incentive tracking process. The application will be flexible and scalable for use with approximately 20 programs' unique needs. Austin Energy staff, external contractors, and other City departments will be capable of accessing and entering information. Customers will be able to obtain the status of their energy incentive. The system will also provide program statistics for management. At present, each of the 20 programs are maintained separately with different data platforms.

MBE/WBE solicited: 4/1 MBE/WBE responded: 0/0

RFP No. CM06300009 PROPOSAL ANALYSIS a. Adequate competition. b. Forty-one notices were sent, including four MBEs and one WBE. Eleven solicitations were issued. Seven proposals were received with no response from MBEs/WBEs. c. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION a. Best evaluated proposal. b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's the recommended award. c. Advertised on the Internet.